



2015 ANNUAL RECLAMATION AWARD
DAVE EBERHARDT
EXCELLENT MINE RECLAMATION
NUGGET CREEK, FAIRBANKS MINING DISTRICT



Panoramic View of the Nugget
Creek Mine



Pre –Reclamation 2009



One Year Later 2011



Revegetation and Stabilization of Stream diversion

Fourth Season Reclamation 2015



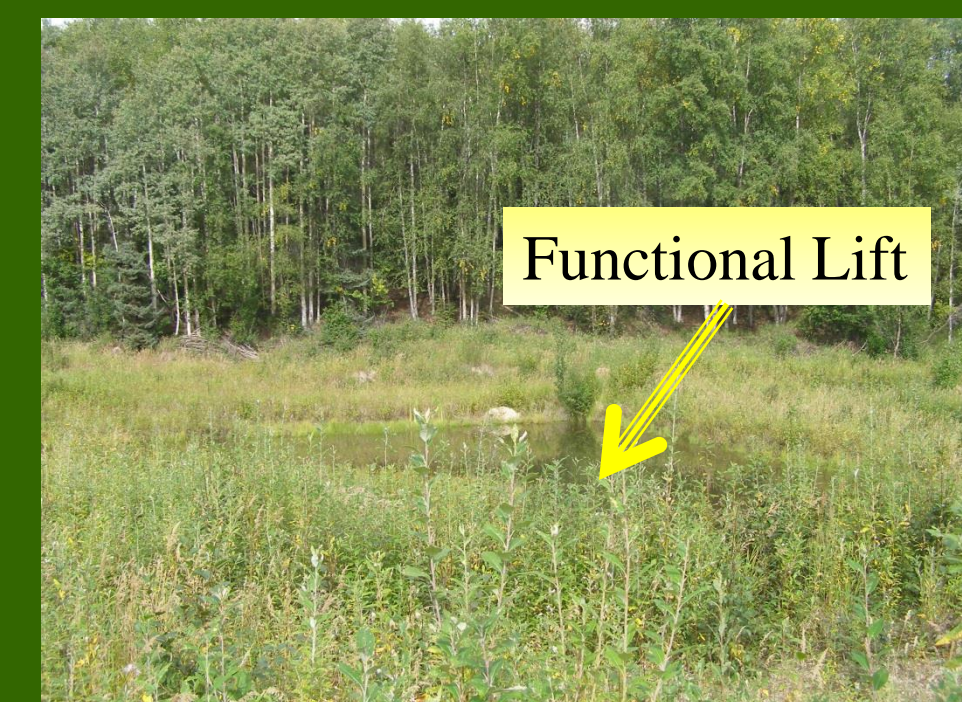
Dave Eberhardt has been mining in the Fairbanks Mining District since he was a boy. His fondest memory, constructing his own sluice box out of wood with his father's tools and panning old tailings for fun during the winter.

The DNR Mining Section conducted site inspections before and after reclamation. Four (4) years after reclamation several species of native grasses and deciduous trees had densely reestablished the area. The permanent diversion was stable and heavily vegetated. Also noteworthy, Nugget Creek experienced a 50-100 year rain event in 2014 with no negative impacts to reclamation. The reclamation documentation provides a great example for others.

The State of Alaska would like to thank Mr. Eberhardt for his responsible stewardship of Alaska's resources and for exceeding the reclamation standards required by the State of Alaska. We congratulate Mr. Eberhardt as the most deserving recipient of this year's Reclamation Award.

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Functional Lift



100% Vegetative Cover

